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**DISTRIBUTION OF SEEDLINGS OF THE LARGE-FLOWERED CITRUS
TRIFOLIATA BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE.**

The Department of Agriculture has had only a limited number of grafted citranges of named varieties to distribute, and these have been sent to persons whose names were furnished by Senators and Representatives in Congress.

All such persons are entitled to five seedlings of the large-flowered form of *Citrus trifoliata* (in warmer regions seedling citranges) for each citrange received and cared for on condition that the Department of Agriculture be furnished, on request, with sample flowers, fruits, or scions from any or all of the seedling trees (at no expense to the grower).

The seedlings of the very hardy *Citrus trifoliata* distributed to such applicants for citrange trees are grown from seed of the large-flowered form of this plant. The ordinary *Citrus trifoliata* has small and insignificant flowers. Some few plants, possibly constituting a distinct race or variety, have, on the contrary, large and handsome white flowers, 2 to 3 inches in diameter. No doubt some of the seedlings having very large and abundant flowers will be of great value as ornamental shrubs. The trifoliata is hardy as far north as Philadelphia and St. Louis, and unlike all other known species of the genus *Citrus* is deciduous. It makes an excellent hedge plant. No one will regret having a few choice plants of the handsome large-flowered form for ornament. If any of the seedlings turn out to be small flowered they can be budded or grafted to some of the many new citranges the Department is now testing. Those who are willing to plant seedlings of trifoliata under the terms given in the inclosed application card will be given the preference in the distribution of the many new varieties of the citrange now being tested. Such persons will also be considered as cooperating with the Department in the citrus-breeding work and will be given the preference in the distribution of reports and circulars relating to these and other citrus fruits.

WALTER T. SWINGLE,
Physiologist in Charge.

Approved:

B. T. GALLOWAY,
Chief of Bureau.

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NOTE.—The following application forms, which are copies of the application cards, are included in the circular in order that the reader may keep a copy of the agreement in case the application card is filled in and returned to the Department.

-----, 19____.
(Date)

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(Post-office) (County) (State)
R. F. D. Route No. -----, Congressional District No. -----.

**APPLICATIONS FOR GRAFTED CITRANGE TREES AND SEEDLINGS OF
LARGE-FLOWERED CITRUS TRIFOLIATA.**

1. Application for seedlings of large-flowered Citrus trifoliata (now available).

I hereby make application for ----- seedlings of large-flowered *Citrus trifoliata*. In consideration of these seedlings being delivered to me free of all charges, I hereby agree to allow the properly accredited agents of the Department of Agriculture access to said *Citrus trifoliata* trees at all times and to send (at no expense to me), upon request of the United States Department of Agriculture, sample flowers, fruits, or scions from any or all of the trees.

(Signature—write plainly)

2. Application for grafted trees of new varieties of citranges (not available before 1910).

I hereby make application for ----- grafted trees of the newly originated citrange varieties (two trees of each variety) now under trial by the United States Department of Agriculture, when they are available for distribution, and agree to plant five seedlings of large-flowered *Citrus trifoliata* under the terms of paragraph 1, above, for every citrange tree received.

(Signature—write plainly)